

AmeriCorps NCCC

Camp Mokule'ia is a year-round facility serving more than 15,000 guests annually. It provides facilities and programs that support the mission of Hawaii's many religious, educational, nonprofit, and community organizations. Camp Mokule'ia's goal is to model and teach practical methods of sustainable living that can be replicated and adopted in the homes, buildings, and public spaces of their wider community. An AmeriCorps NCCC team developed or supported five sustainable and energy conservation systems including a nursery and garden area, a compost area, grey water systems, water catchments systems, and an aquaponic system. The team helped construct, paint, and plant two planter boxes, removed 1,520 pounds of garbage, sorted 15 recycling bins, weeded and mulched around 24 trees, painted a belly band and four cabins doors with Hawaiian cultural symbols, and educated 23 people in energy sustainability.

AmeriCorps VISTA

The Hawaiian Community Assets "Building Stability in Housing" AmeriCorps VISTA Project has greatly enhanced the organization's capacity to expand the reach and success of anti-poverty programs focused on affordable housing and financial literacy in Native Hawaiian communities. In 2013, 13 VISTA members served at sites throughout the state, developing tools and systems to enable Hawaiian Community Assets to provide many more individuals with financial literacy and housing resources. This past year, Hawaiian Community Assets provided financial literacy services to 1,626 individuals, which resulted in 96 families successfully securing or sustaining permanent housing. The total number of individuals served during the year was an increase of 21 percent from the previous year.

Senior Corps

The Senior Companion Program sponsored by the State of Hawaii Department of Human Services helps make independence a reality for older adults in Hawaii. Senior Companion volunteers enhance their own health and social engagement by providing services such as respite, companionship, and other assistance to support independent living for older adults with mobility and self-care limitations. In 2013, 105 Senior Companions served 220 older adults, providing necessary support to enhance the clients' ability to better manage their activities of daily living. In addition, Senior Companions provided respite to 68 caregivers of older adults.